

# Chugach National Forest

# cutting your own CHRISTMAS



The Chugach National Forest has just the place to find that magical tree free of charge, if you follow these straightforward guidelines.

Be sure you are on land managed by the Forest Service.

- There are a few places where tree-cutting **is not allowed** on the National Forest:
  - Portage Valley closure extends from the Seward Highway up Portage Glacier Road to Portage Lake.
  - Turnagain Pass closure extends from mile 70 of the Seward Highway, just north of the Turnagain Pass Rest Area, to Bertha Creek Campground at mile 65.5.
  - The EVOS easement lands shown on the attached map.

Each household or organization is allowed one tree from the Forest, free of charge. No permit is required. The free trees cannot be sold, bartered or used in any commercial-type exchange for goods.

Follow off-road zoning regulations.

**REMEMBER:** When visiting the forest you are responsible for your own safety.

**ENJOY YOUR NATIONAL FOREST AND HAVE FUN!**

## FOR MORE INFORMATION GIVE US A CALL

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1. Cut trees at least 200 feet from roads and 450 feet away from picnic areas and campground units, administrative facilities, trails and bodies of water.
2. Do not fell trees into streams or other bodies of water.
3. Cut trees as close to the ground as possible. Stumps should be no higher than six inches tall.
4. Do not top a tree. The entire tree, except for the stump, must be removed.
5. Select your tree thoughtfully, to avoid leaving unsightly bare spots.

## HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR TREE

(in 4 easy steps)

**1**

Keep tree away from direct sources of heat. That includes warm-air vents, fireplaces and hot lights. Make sure to use lights rated for indoor use.

Refill water in stand daily. Make sure the water level does not go below the base of the tree.

**2**

**3** Do not add anything to the water. Plain, clean tap water is best.

**3**

Maintain a merry environment around the tree for optimum tree quality.

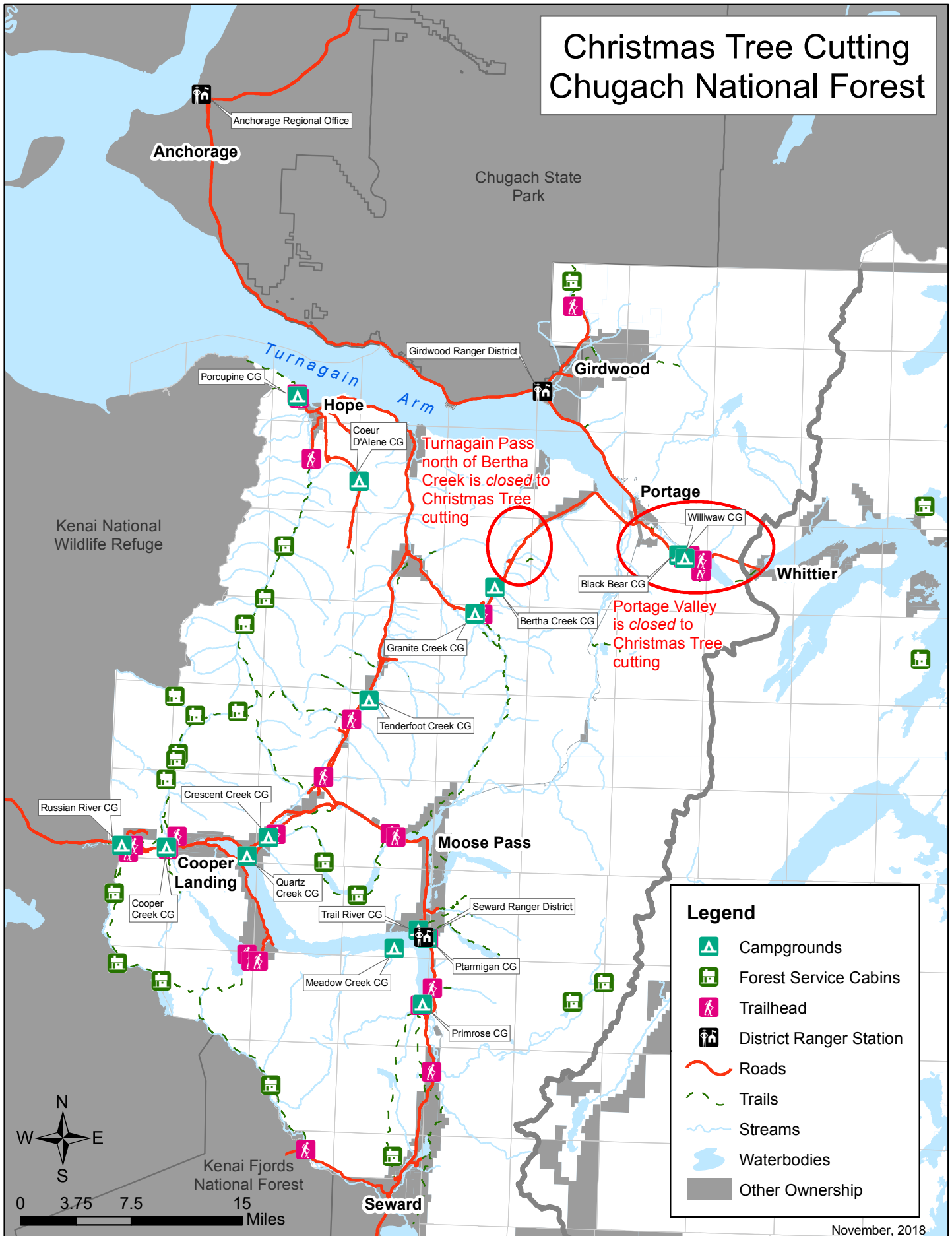
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# Christmas Tree Cutting Chugach National Forest





# Copper River Highway and Vicinity Chugach National Forest

